

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: ARENA, et al.

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For: BRCA1/BRCA2 SCREENING PANEL

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a)

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 28, 2006 and is being filed with a petition for retroactive extension of time for three months. Although, Applicants believe that no further extensions of time are required with submission of this paper, Applicants request that this submission also be considered as a petition for any further extensions of time if necessary. The Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks is hereby authorized to charge the amount due for any retroactive extensions of time and any deficiency in any fees due with the filing of this paper or credit any overpayment in any fees paid on the filing or during prosecution of this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0951.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.